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SUBJECT: P-3 FLIGHTS TO KENYA AND SEYCHELLES

REF: A) NAIROBI 4654; B) NAIROBI 4022

1. FULLY UNDERSTAND EMBASSY'S CONCERNS OVER FREQUENCY OF P-3 FLIGHTS AS EXPRESSED IN REFTEL A. DEPARTMENT AND DOD SHARE YOUR VIEW THAT FREQUENCY OF THESE FLIGHTS SHOULD BE CAREFULLY MONITORED AND CONTROLLED, AND WILL WELCOME EMBASSY'S ADVICE WHENEVER FLIGHTS PRESENT PROBLEMS FOR ANY REASON FROM LOCAL PERSPECTIVE. WE HAD INTERPRETED REFTEL B AS INDICATING EMBASSY HAD NO PROBLEMS WITH APRIL 17-18 FLIGHT REQUEST DESPITE OBVIOUS PROXIMITY TO PREVIOUS FLIGHT.

2. DEPARTMENT HAD ALSO NOTED THAT NOW-CANCELLED APRIL 17-18 P-3 FLIGHT WAS WITHIN A MONTH OF FIRST FLIGHT, AND
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APPARENT INCONSISTENCY BETWEEN THIS FREQUENCY AND INTENDED BASIC FREQUENCY OF ONE PER QUARTER. IN FACT, PROXIMITY TO PREVIOUS FLIGHT IS NOT INCONSISTENT WITH TARGET FREQUENCY. APRIL 17-18 FLIGHT WAS TO BE BASIC FLIGHT FOR SECOND QUARTER 1977. IT FALLS SOMEWHAT EARLY IN QUARTER DUE ONLY TO OVERALL SCHEDULING CONSIDERATIONS. PROXIMITY TO FIRST FLIGHT FURTHER ENHANCED BY RESCHEDULING OF FIRST FLIGHT

DUE TO PROBLEMS WITH INITIALLY PROPOSED FEBRUARY DATE.

3. P-3 FLIGHTS WILL NORMALLY BE SCHEDULED WITH A
FREQUENCY OF ONE PER QUARTER. IT CANNOT BE ENSURED THAT
THIS WILL RESULT IN RELATIVELY EVEN THREE-MONTH INTERVALS
BETWEEN FLIGHTS, SINCE UNPREDICTABLE OPERATIONAL AND
OTHER CONSIDERATIONS MAY DICTATE OTHERWISE. IF IN CASE
OF ANY FUTURE FLIGHT PROPOSALS EMBASSY BELIEVES BUNCHING
RISKS ATTRACTING UNDUE ATTENTION TO FLIGHT PROGRAM,
EMBASSY SHOULD CERTAINLY DRAW THIS TO OUR ATTENTION.
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